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Birthday of Western Senator

Sixty-sixth Anniversary Commemorated by Senator Arnold's Colleagues—James W. Stillman Would Exclude Bible From the Mails as Improper—Horse Thief at North Kingston—George H. Spicer Given Surprise on 87th Birthday.

Thursday was the 66th anniversary of the birth of Senator Louis W. Arnold of Westerly, and was made the occasion of a season of celebration at the regular senate session.

Senator Dixon of Bristol, just before adjournment, claimed the floor and said: "Two years ago, when I was taken to this honorable body, I was taken by the hand by a member, with a hearty 'God bless you.' I rise at this time to extend my very best wishes to that senator, a man who has been sent back here for the ninth time, and who stands high in the esteem of the majority and minority members alike. I think every senator here should know that the senator I mean is Senator Louis W. Arnold of Westerly, and I want you to join with the other senators in congratulating him on this his 66th birthday."

Senator Arnold in response said: "I cannot help feeling grateful for the kind words of the senator from Bristol. I want to say this to every senator, that I feel that I have a friend here, and I desire to extend thanks for the courtesy extended to me. I appreciate the good will and kindly feeling that has always been afforded me here in this body."

Senator Wilbur of Little Compton also extended congratulations and sincere felicitations to Senator Arnold. He suggested that at the close of the session the senator from Westerly locate himself within easy reach that all the members might be able to grasp his hand and voice their greetings.

Lieutenant Governor Bliss and Senators Sanborn, Monroe, McKenna, Mowry, Pierce and Wade followed in a congratulatory vein. Senator Wade particularly called attention to the fact that he had known Senator Arnold personally for forty years and that Chapatet was the birthplace of both Senator Arnold and the senator from Westerly. He declared that he had a great interest in the old town of Gloucester and to people up there it almost seems that they have two senators and one of them is the senator from Westerly. He extended his own and the greetings of his constituency to Senator Arnold.

The Baptist state convention has bestowed the concentration effort for the year to the Baptist church in Lonsdale, of which Rev. George W. Ripley, D. D., recently with the First Baptist church of Westerly, is pastor. This gives representative of the Lonsdale church authority to solicit and receive aid from Baptist churches in the state for a fund to complete the new brick edifice, which cost \$15,000. The fund has already been expended. Dr. Ripley is endeavoring to raise \$2,000 during the year, and upon the receipt of his former church in Westerly the sum of \$48 was contributed.

Announcements have been made in connection with the effort to secure funds for the new organ of the new church at Lonsdale. The pastor, Carl, has offered to contribute \$900, one-half the cost.

James W. Stillman, formerly of Westerly, prominent in probate court case here for several years which traveled back and forth through the higher courts of different points of law, was again in the limelight. Mr. Stillman has made demand upon the office of the United States attorney in Boston for the exclusion of the Holy Bible from the mails on the ground that it contains improper literature. The complainant notified the government's representative that he (Stillman) is an attorney with right to practice in three states. He conferred with Assistant United States District Attorney Fisher Thursday afternoon, but was given little encouragement as to his chances.

Mr. Stillman stated that he had been to see District Attorney Pelletier, by whom he was told to see the federal authorities. He left a copy of the Bible and a copy of "The Age of Selwyn," a book written by J. R. Ferris, Esq., of Boston, to the federal authorities. The attention of the assistant district attorney was called to several passages in the Bible which Mr. Stillman declares are unfit for public reading.

Before there was final settlement of the probate court case in which Mr. Stillman was interested he was a frequent visitor in Westerly, but since then he has given the town a wide berth. He often declared he had little use for the town of Westerly or the residents thereof, claiming that he had been swindled out of his rights.

The contract has been awarded for the construction of the residence of the Hon. J. W. Wheeler, to be located in Granite street. The building is to be of brick and one of the finest residences in the town. The brick will be delivered by trolley direct from the clay works to within a few hundred feet of the building site.

Local Laocoonics.

The attachment on the Worrall restaurant has been relieved.

Nothing doing of the regular session of the third district court Friday.

James A. Sheldon has purchased the cottage house and lot No. 45 Clark street.

Andrew Smith of Kenyon, president of the Richmond town council, was in Westerly Friday.

Charles Crowley and James Murphy attended the banquet of the Nutmeg club in Norwich Friday night.

Senator McKenna has presented a resolution providing for biennial sessions of the Rhode Island general assembly.

James Murphy, chauffeur for James Graham Mason of New York, is spending his winter vacation at his home in Westerly.

At the regular meeting of Phebe Greene Ward chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Miss Elizabeth Frankenstein read an original paper on a Day in an Indian Village.

Misses Ida M. Clark, Edith Bray, Jessie Collins, Adah G. Brown and Sadie Phillips have been selected as a committee to arrange for the Easter concert of the Baptist church.

A dark and very speedy horse owned by William Helyard of North Kingston was stolen from his stable during Tuesday night. With the horse went a brass mounted harness and Concord top buggy.

Sheriff John W. Wilcox, who went to New York to take into custody Abe Smith, wanted for the theft of fowls, returned without a prisoner. The man held in New York was not the Abe Smith the sheriff sought.

At the quarterly meeting of the Rhode Island general assembly a resolution was adopted disapproving the passage of a bill to create a registration board of osteopathy, now pending before the senate.

There is no trace of the bodies of James Burke, Jr., and Michael Donahue. The probate court of Stonington has been restored for appointment of a trustee of the estate of Mr. Donahue, who was a resident of Pawtucket.

Upon the grounds of desertion Warren T. Sheffield of Mechanic street, Pawtucket, was granted divorce Friday from Edna Perkins Sheffield of Lower Pawtucket, by Judge Gardiner Greene of the superior court for New London county.

Mrs. Martha M. Burdick died in Norwich Thursday evening in her 68th year. She was widow of Frank Burdick and leaves two sons, William R. Burdick and Horace H. Burdick. Mrs. Burdick was born in Westerly, but resided in Niantic the greater portion of her life.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Crowell and son of Norwich were among the relatives of George H. Spicer of Ashaway who, with a surprise party Thursday evening, Mr. Spicer reached his 87th year Feb. 28, or thereabouts. He was over 60 years of age and has had twenty actual birthdays.

It is planned to have one hundred Baptist ministers from Europe as delegates to the Baptist world alliance in Philadelphia next June. To meet the expense \$10,000 is to be raised by the Baptist of the country. The First Baptist church and Sunday school of Westerly have contributed \$10 to the fund.

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Walter Sheehan Dismisses His Second Time—New Wilcox Steamer to Be Launched Today—Town Court Appointments the Expected.

Walter Sheehan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Sheehan, who fell from a tree on the 30th of December, fell again with a broken arm at his home Thursday evening, dislocating his hip again. Dr. F. T. MacDowall ordered the boy taken to the hospital. The ambulance came over on Friday morning, and the boy was taken to New London for treatment.

Visit from State Officer.

Mystic council, No. 29, met in I. O. O. F. hall on Friday evening and received an official visit from District Deputy Grand Master Oliver D. L. Burrows of the Grand council of Connecticut.

The regular monthly meeting of the executive committee of the Mystic fire district was held Friday evening in the parlors of B. F. H. & Co. company. Considerable business was transacted. The annual meeting will be held in March.

Launching Today.

A number will attend the launching of the fishing boat at the Noank shipyard today (Saturday), when the Wilcox Fertilizer company will have another boat to add to its fleet. It will be named after Mrs. Elizabeth Wilcox, and will be christened by her youngest daughter, Miss Marion Wilcox of Mystic, at 1 o'clock this morning. This makes four boats that the company has built for the Wilcox people.

GRANITE CUTTERS MUST PAY.

Supreme Court Hands Down Ruling in Case of Mariano De Minico Against Union.

The Worcester (Mass.) Gazette says: In the Worcester county case of Mariano De Minico vs. David Craig et al. the full bench of the supreme court has handed down a decision which directs the defendants to pay the plaintiff \$500, with interest from Jan. 10, and costs.

The defendants were officers and members of the Milford branch of the Granite cutters' association, an international association of America and the plaintiff claims that on or about June 22, 1909, the defendants, by their representatives, caused his discharge as foreman in the employ of the Granite cutters' association in Hopkinton. De Minico further alleges that on or about June 23 of the same year a number of the defendants, acting in their representative capacity as members of a committee of the Milford branch, approached Frank A. Walls, the secretary of the Granite cutters' association, and demanded an immediate discharge of plaintiff as foreman of the Granite cutters' association in Hopkinton. The plaintiff also claimed that defendants combined and conspired to prevent him from securing work with any employer, and particularly with the Wells company, by threatening the company with a strike of its employees, if it should employ the plaintiff as foreman.

YANTIC HAPPENINGS.

Pupils of Sodom School Give Interesting Entertainment—Evening of Whist.

Monday evening last the friends and parents of the children of Sodom school gave an interesting entertainment at the school. The entertainment was given under the direction of Miss Raymond, the school teacher. The school has a fine organ, and it hopes before long to be the possessor of a clock.

At the entertainment the following pleasing programme was rendered: March of children, with organ accompaniment; Introductory address by H. Brown; The Blue and the Gray; Herman Leonard; song, Mary Had a Little Lamb, school; The Blue and the Gray; William Murphy; Moo-Cow-Moo; Carl Leonard; cornet solo, Love's Sweet Song; Benjamin Davis; Dolly's Picture; Catherine Murphy; Which Loved Best; Stephen O'Hearn; tubular solo, H. Leonard; The Blue and the Gray; Ernest Sherman; The Child's Wish; Christopher O'Hearn; My Teddy Bear; Ellen O'Hearn; cornet solo, Home, Sweet Home; Benjamin Davis; Don't Fret, Anna Driscoll; All Things Bright and Beautiful; Olive Ladd; Nursery Rhymes; Fred and Tyler Ladd; Jest; Fore Christmas; Frolic; Let me introduce to you Charles Gustavus of Sweden, when he was besieging Prague, is worthy of recall. A pleasant offering of the kindy amusement to devour a large hog, then and there. General Koenigsmark, so runs the tale, suggested that one with such an appetite ought to be burned as a sorcerer, on which the peasant said to the king: "Consider how many will make that old gentleman take off his spur, I will eat him before I begin the pig."

STONINGTON

Rev. Charles Mason in New York Sanitarium—Lentian Services—Church and Club Interests.

The Rev. Charles Mason of Calvary Episcopal church, who has been ill for several weeks, is now in a sanitarium in New York.

The Sunday morning services in Calvary church have been held regularly each week. During Lent services will be held each Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock, when visiting clergymen will officiate.

Music Follows Supper.

The social in the Second congregational church parlors Thursday evening was well attended. An excellent supper was served and all were attended enjoyed the musical programme which followed.

The ladies of the Baptist church held their weekly missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. Asa Wilcox on Friday afternoon. Considerable sewing was done. All stayed to supper, which was served by the hostess, after which the company was invited to spend the evening.

The Comfort club will meet at Mrs. Stiles Stanton's each Monday evening during Lent.

About the Borough.

The monthly meeting of Stonington Steam Fire Engine company was held in their room on Gold street Thursday evening.

Charles D. Main has injured his knee and will be obliged to take a rest for a few days.

Charles P. Whitall has returned from a business trip south.

Edward Carson has returned to his home in Auburn, R. I.

Word received from Mr. and Mrs. William F. Griffin is to the effect that they are finding much pleasure in Bermuda and greatly enjoyed meeting Chandler Wayland there. Mr. Wayland is one of Stonington's summer residents and spends his winters in Bermuda.

Mrs. Fred Wilcox is in New York.

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Meeting of Silver Links—Ira Lamb Able to Leave Hospital.

The Silver Links society held their weekly meeting at the home of Mrs. John Spocht on High street last Thursday evening.

A social hour was spent, during which refreshments were served. The birthday party of the society will be held in the Methodist church parlors next Tuesday.

Village Varieties.

Miss Abbie Fish of Spicer avenue is visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Latham in Bridgeport.

Mrs. John Ebbetts is confined to her home on Pearl street with a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Ellison Lewis is visiting friends in Boston.

Mrs. John M. and children, John and Bessie, leave soon for a long visit with friends in Perth Amboy.

George Hobron of New London was a caller here Friday.

The True Blue sewing society met Friday evening with Mrs. Edward Ashby on Front street.

Nokomis commandery, I. O. G. C., met in Palmer hall Friday evening.

Mrs. Chris Jensen, who has spent the winter in Scotland with her parents, is expected home today (Saturday).

Ira Lamb Leaves Hospital.

Ira Lamb, who has been under treatment at Memorial hospital for a fractured collarbone, was discharged Thursday and has returned home.

Mrs. Charles Libby and daughter, Mrs. H. H. Libby, are in New London Thursday.

Moses W. Rathbun, who is seriously ill at his home on Front street, is a little more comfortable.

Deacon Robert Palmer was in Westerly Friday.

Austin Lamb of Ledyard was in town Friday.

James Stanley of Waterford was in the village Friday on business.

Good Fare of Cod.

The fishing schooner W. Talbot Dodge, Capt. Joseph Brown, came in to port recently after a few days' trip trawling off Montauk Point, with two barrels of cod.

TO PREVENT WILL CONTESTS.

There has been introduced in the Massachusetts legislature a bill to prevent will contests, by the simple expedient of providing that when a man has made and executed his will he may go before a probate court and have the question of his legal ability to thus dispose of his property passed upon. There are obvious advantages in this plan. Heirs would, of course, have a right to be heard, but those who thought they were not generously dealt with, might, from motives of policy, refrain from making any suggestion that the person making the will was of unsound mind. There would be the possibility, not to say the probability, that such cases might be established, when there might be danger that the man of property, acting upon a very natural impulse, would make a new will, which might in turn be sustained, and which would make the last state of the doubters worse than the first. This bill is approved by ex-Attorney General Albert E. Pillsbury of Massachusetts, who says: "The looking of dead men's estates has now become an established industry in Massachusetts, as it has been in New York for many years. A will

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Probate Mr. Pillsbury does not exaggerate the situation. The substantial truth of his statement could be shown by reference to some compar-

tively recent probate records in the Bay state.—The Courant.

Not a Centipede.

An Iowa news item says: "Miss Edna Larsen received a broken leg, and two others were injured." And she isn't a centipede, either.—Toledo Blade.

A Real Circus.

If P. T. Barnum were alive he would surely not miss the opportunity of capturing both sides of the Mexican revolution.—Buffalo News.

A military university is to be established at Peking.

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